# DEPARTMENT POLICY

# **All Programs**

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) routinely matches recipient data with other agencies through automated computer data exchanges. Information provided with MDHHS applications (DHS-1010, -1171, -4574, -4574-B, and DCH-373) informs clients of the data exchange process.

#### **OVERVIEW**

# FIP, SDA, MA and FAP

Michigan Bureau of Lottery sends lists of lottery winners from the previous week. In addition, there is a monthly match to allow for any application that was pending during the month that may have become active.

#### **LOTTERY MATCH**

### FIP, SDA, MA and FAP

The match contains the clients name, recipient ID, date of birth and social security number along with the gross amount of winnings, the net payout and the date winnings were received.

# **Specialist Action**

Depending on the program involved, take appropriate action. If it is found that the match may not be accurate, such as a discrepancy in the winner's information, contact the client.

Use the **gross** winnings when taking action on the case. If winnings are 1 million dollars or more the winner is able to choose a lump sum payout or annuity payments.

**Note:** Annuity payments are considered unearned income and should be budgeted as such.

# **Programs**

#### FIP and SDA

 If winnings are \$3,000 or less, send a verification request to determine if the client is over the asset level. Follow the Lump Sum/Accumulated Benefits Field Reference Guide for budgeting located at the Office of Workforce Development and Training website.

• If winnings are over \$3,000, take appropriate action to close the case; clients are allowed timely notice.

See BEM 400, Assets, for more information.

#### MA

Lump sums and accumulated benefits are income in the month received and may be a countable asset for any subsequent months.

See BEM 400 for asset levels of different MA programs.

#### **FAP**

Change Reporters and Simplified Reporters.

- If winnings are \$5,000 or less, send a verification checklist request to determine if the client is over the asset level. Follow the Lump Sum/Accumulated Benefits Field Reference Guide for budgeting located at the Office of Workforce Development and Training website.
- If winnings are over \$5,000, take appropriate action to close the case; clients must be given timely notice.

See BEM 400, Assets.

#### **VERIFICATIONS**

Cases showing on the Lottery Match must be documented in the case file. An example of this would be a copy of the Lottery Winnings Spreadsheet with only the client's information shown.

## **LEGAL BASE**

#### **FIP**

MCL 400.10e

#### **SDA**

Annual Appropriations Act Mich Admin Code, R 400.3151-400.3180 MCL 400.10e MA

MCL 400.10e

**FAP** 

7 CFR 273.2(b)(2) 7 CFR 273.8 7 CFR 273.12